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DELAYED DISPATCHES

GERMANY.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—At the Congo conference to-day General Sanford, American delegate, asked how it was proposed to extend the provisions of convention, in the absence of means of the communication.. Dr. Busch replied that it would be best that the German chancellery should transmit to the powers the German postmaster-general's recommendation.

General Sanford gave notice of his intention to introduce an amended project for a railway around the cataracts.

Kapnist of Russia refused to assent to England's proposal to make oil and coal contraband in time of war.

The American neutrality scheme was shelved by the conference, through the opposite of Courcel, who affirmed France unable to accept it in any form whatever. Germany and England warmly supported America.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—A large meeting of national liberals to-day adopted resolutions of approval of Bismarck's foreign policy, and declaring the action of the reichstag unworthy of the empire and opposed to the wishes of the people.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—Dr. Forckenbeck, a well-known liberal, has been elected to the reichstag from Sagan.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The English blue book has been issued, containing the correspondence between the English and German governments in relation to the disputed territory in South Africa.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The death is announced of William Henry Channing, a well known Unitarian minister and author.

AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—Jean Lucas, manager of the securities department of a local bank, died to-day from self-inflicted injuries. He left letters stating that he had been ruined in Bourse speculation, and had embezzled 90,000 florins ($45,000.)

CANADA.

PICTOU, Ont., Dec. 23.—There is no truth whatever in the report that John Lawder, father of George Lawder, who was hanged here last June, had made a deathbed confession of the murder of Peter Liziar. John Lawder has not been sick, is not dead, and has not confessed.

EASTERN STATES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The gist of the Nicaragua treaty has been made public, and its provisions are such as to arouse the hostility, apparently, of a majority of the house. If the report of the provisions of the treaty is true, it gives to the United States the valuable right to build and control the canal, with permission to hold in perpetuity a strip of land three miles wide on each side of the thoroughfare. In exchange for this concession the United States is to give the government of Nicaragua a proportionate share of the tolls. The senate may ratify the treaty, but the vote upon it will be close; but the house will not, at the present session at least, vote the money necessary for the construction of the canal. The democratic members resent the action of the president in negotiating commercial treaties, and regard the Nicaragua treaty as a snub to the new administration. The leaders say they will leave all matters affecting the financial and political policy of the government, now pending, to be settled after Cleveland is inaugurated, and as they have a majority in the house, whatever the senate may do will be of little practical value.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Times, which has hitherto opposed the Nicaragua treaty, this morning says: "Now that the full text of the treaty is before us we do not see any vital and insurmountable objection to ratification, only its possible relations to our prior treaty obligations. On that point we await furthur advices from the state department."

The Tribune expresses similar views and expectations and says: "The treaty and message are silent on two important points, the bearings of ahe Clayton-Bulwer convention and the neutralization of the canal. What is left unsaid has not been passed over without premeditation. The text of the treaty, when read between the lines, particularly explains the omissions." The Tribune thinks Frelinghuysen has either reached some understanding with Lord Granville on these subjects or the treaty has been carefully framed to avoid antagonizing the letter of the Bulwer Clayton treaty. The two treaties are directly antagonistic in their general effects, but are also open to technical construction of which an ingenious use may be made in diplomatic correspondence.

The World, hitherto silent regarding the treaty, now says: In these days of progress we cannot continue much longer with a narrow strip of land known as Central America which ties us to South America, dividing the two oceans and sending us down and around Cape Horn for a water-way between our Atlantic and Pacific possessions. The Panama canal, even if successfully built, may not settle the question satisfactorily for us. The United States has greater interest in the isthmus canal between the two oceans than any other country. There is a sentiment that by the construction of the De Lesseps canal we in some manner abandon the Monroe doctrine.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Tribune says: Some idea of the immense undertaking of building the new aqueduct, for which contracts were let on Saturday, may be derived from the following: According to a rough estimate, seven-eighths of the distance between Harlem river and the Croton dam will have to be cut through rock. One of the greatest engineering feats connected with it will be tunneling under three streams, the Harlem, Sawmill and Pocoantio rivers. By the aid of the electric light, which will allow work to go on night and day, it is expected the undertaking will be finished in about three years. The total amount of awards for the work is $11,911,607.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Tribune says: A Chinese laundry at Belleville, which was the second attempt mad in the east to introduce cheap Chinese labor, has proved a success to its proprietors, though it has not diminished the prices of the laundry work to the public. The first experiment with Chinese labor was made at North Adams, Massachusetts, in shoomaking. Captain James Harvey was the pioneer in introducing Chinese as laundrymen at Belleville He began with sixty-eight, whom he secured at San Francisco by a contract with the six companies. They cost him $125 each to place in his laundry, and then he paid them about $15 a month and board. He subsequently added to the number. At the expiration of the contract these Chinamen set up for themselves, chiefly in Newark and New York. Thus originated a large colony in this city, Their sucess was such as to induce others to come here, and so numerous are they now that they an unwritten law among themselves, prohibiting the establishment of a new laundry within a certain distance of an old one. Rates for laundry work remain the same as before the Ihinese came.

Excited Thousands

All over the land are going into ecstasy over Dr. King's new Discovery for Consumption. Their unlooked for recovery by the timely use of this great Saving remedy, causes them to go nearly wild in its praise. It is guaranteed to positively cure Severe Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Hay Fever, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Loss of Voice, or any affection of the Throat and Lungs. Trial bottles free at A. J. Langley & Co.'s drug store. Large size $1.00. 2dw

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R. IRVING, Agent, Victoria. *

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Having sub-divided my
COAL HARBOR PROPERTY,
I am prepared to sell lots at from $25 upwards.
LAND ALSO BY THE ACRE.
Apply to
HENRY V. EDMONDS,
At ALLSOP & MASONS,
Government street,
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THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by A. J. LANGLEY & Co. d&w

CHURCH GROWTH IN AMERICA

Relative Increase in the Leading Denominatous Since 1860.

By the census of 1860 the population of the United States was 31,445,080. The present population is now estimated at 55,000,000. The gain in twenty-five years has been, therefore, twenty-three and a half millions, or at the rate of 75 per cent.

In 1860, according to estimates the accuracy of which was then universally acknowledged, there were 8,600,000 Methodists in this country. They were then, as they are now, the strongest religious body, numerically. Since 1860 the total has grown to 15,000,000, which is an increase of 75 per cent, keeping pace exactly with the increase in population.

The number of the affiliants of the various Baptist churches was, in 1860, 8,000,000. To-day it is 12,000,000. The increase in twenty five year is, therefore, 50 per cent, a gain in absolute ratio, but a falling off when considered relatively.

The Presbyterians numbered in 1860, 3,600,000. Now they number 5,500,000, an increase in twenty-five years of 53 per cent.

The Lutherans, who have been materially benefited by constant and increasing emigration from Germany, Sweden, Holland and Norway, have grown from 1,250,000 in 1860 to 2,000,000 in 1884, or at the rate of 60 per cent.

The Congregationalists have declined relatively very much. The old spirit of the New England Pilgrims seems to be dying out among them. In twenty-five years they have advanced but 27 per cent—that is, from 1,413,000 in 1860 to 1,800,000 at present. On the other hand, the various Reformed Churches—Dutch, German and Evangelical—show an increase of nearly 50 per cent, from 810,000 in 1860 to 1,200,000 to-day

The Episcopalians show a fair increase in numbers, yet one relatively below the average. Their percentage of gain is 33⅓ per cent in twenty-five years, bringing up the total from 900,000 to 1,200,000.

The Hebrews—counting together those who are orthodox and those who are merely nominal—have increased from 350,000 in 1860 to 700,000 in 1884, a full 100 per cent of gain

The Friends, or Quakers, show an absolute as well as relative decline. They have fallen off 60 per cent, from 220,000 in 1860 to 150,000 1884.

The denomination of Christians, who are numerous in Kentucky, Southern Indiana, Southern Illinois, and Missouri, number 800,000, against 500,000 in 1860, an absolute gain of 60 per cent, yet a falling off relatively of 15 per cent.

But the most surprising feature of the calculations just completed is the growth of the Catholics. In 1860 they numbered in the United States 3,175,000. Now there are 9,500,000. This is a gain of 200 per cent in twenty-five years. Should the same ratio of increase continue to be preserved, they would number fifteen years hence 25,000,000.

It is to be noted that the churches of all creeds and denominations in the United States contain accommodations for 27,500,000 persons, or just half of the whole population of 55,000,000.—N. Y. Sun.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

"EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES ACT, 1884."

REGULATIONS, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SECTION 7 of the above Act, for the conveyance, storage, &c., of gunpowder and other explosive substances, are published in the British Columbia Gazette of this date, copies of which can be obtained at this office on application.

JNO. ROBSON,
Provincial Secretary.
Provincial Secretary's Office
27th November, 1884. no28 1m

A CARD.

TO THE EDITOR:—I HAVE ESTABLISHED A new industry in Victoria, that of ORNAMENTAL PLASTERING, and am determined to make it success, because the time has come when Victor homes to be attractive must be made more beautiful. My work took the premiums at the late show. In few days I shall have specimens of my work in my window and shall invite public inspection.

JOHN COOK,
no23 1m Fort st., bet. Fort and Blanchard.

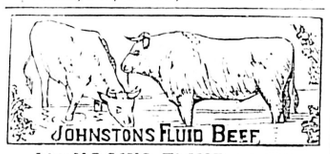
KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THAT PORTION of a notice published in the BRITISH COLUMBIA GAZETTE, and dated 23rd May, 1883, which more particularly relates to the lands set apart and reserved upon Kootenay Lake and its tributaries, is hereby rescinded, and the said reservation is cancelled.

Three months from the date hereof these lands will be open for pre-emption and purchase.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., 10th Dec., 1884. de12 1m



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THIS PREPARATION IS RAPIDLY [illegible] public favor. The demand now supersedes that of any extract of meat in the market.

THE REASON IS APPARENT.

It is the only preparation of the kind which contains all the nutritious, together with the stimulating properties of beef, and the only one which has the power to supply nourishment for brain, bone and muscle. no16 1y

SHIPS AND STEAMERS.

FOR VICTORIA DIRECT.

AN AUIRON VESSEL WILL BE DESPATCHED from Liverpool about 31st January, 1885 ORDERS sent by mail as late as the first week in December will be in time for her. Cable orders a month later.

Liverpool Agents, R. C. JANION & CO.
no19 London Agents, H. C. BEETON & CO.

TURNER, BEETON & CO.

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ESTRELLA DE CHILE,

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FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS.

I. C. TIN PLATE,
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PIG IRON, PIG LEAD,
SALMON TWINES,
EARTHENWARE, in Crates, assorted,
GLAZED DRAIN PIPES,
AGRICULTURAL DRAIN PIPES,
BLACK & BLUE PAVING BRICKS
For Dairies and Conservatories.

HALL & SONS' Sporting Powder, Blasting Pawder.
ALE. M. B. Foster & Sons, Bass' in case, Edinboro' in barrels.
STOUT. M. B. Foster & Son, Guiness First Choice.
BRANDY. Champagne Vineyard Co., Vintages 1831, 1870, 1876, in barrel and case, Southern Vineyard in case and bulk, Hennessy in case.
IRISH WHISKEY. W. Jameson's 1 and 3 star in case.
SCOTCH " Loch Katrine, Caol Ila.
CANADIAN H. Walker & Son's.
GIN. Boord & Son, Old Tom, Geneva, I. de Kuyper & Son, Red and Green Case, Key Brand.
PORT WINE. Cockburn, Smithes & Co., in barrels and hogsheads, extra quality.
SHERRY. William Englebach & Co.
CHAMPAGNE. Deutz & Geldeman, Grammont Fils, extra dry.
MOSELLE. Ch. Kupperburg.
SAUTERNE. G. Prelier & Co.
CLARET. G. Preller & Co., St. Emillion, Chateau Tolemont.
ORANGE BITTERS, Ginger Brandy.
CURACOA. Maraschino, Noyeau, Chartreuse, &c.
BRITISH WINES R. Bishop & Sons.
GINGER ALE Corry & Co., Belfast, H. Rawlings & Co.
FANCY GROCERIES Goodall, Blackhouse & Co
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Shawls, Blankets, Prints,

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GEO. WOSTENHOLME & CO.,
(Limited). SHEFFIELD CUTLERY.
Agents for
DOULTON & CO.,
Lambeth Pottery.
de11 1m

PUBLIC NOTICE.

WHEREAS JAMES JOHNSON, A SETTLER AT South Cowichan, has been SHOT AT by some person or persons unknown.

Notice is hereby given that a Reward of Two Hundred ($200) Dollars will be paid by the Government for such information as shall lead to the apprehension and conviction of the offender or offenders.

JNO ROBSON,
Provincial Secretary
Provincial Secretary's Office,
Victoria, B.C., 11th Dec., 1884. de12 1m

BOW YUEN & CO.,

CHINESE DRY GOODS,

OPIUM, TEA AND

GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

N. E. Corner Government and Cormorant Streets,

mo30 1m **VICTORIA, B. C.**

FOR SALE—TO LET.

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A NICE COTTAGE CONTAINING FIVE ROOMS; water in kitchen; in a nice location, and will be rented cheap. The house is furnished complete for housekeeping and the furniture will be sold cheap. Apply to Mr. POTTINGER, corner North Park and Cook streets. de13

FOR SALE.

A COMPARATIVELY NEW CABINET ORGAN—Apply at MISS A CARSON'S,
de6 1m North corner View and Quadra sts.

TO RENT

FOR THE WINTER MONTHS, A NUMBER OF large and well furnished Rooms. Also, two Suites of Rooms, suitable for gentlemen and their wives.

The above rooms will be rented at a very reasonable rate to suitable persons.

For further particulars apply to
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de11 2w Pandora street, near Quadra

TO RENT.

A NICELY FURNISHED ROOM, WITH OR without Board.
de7 1m Apply corner Cook and Meares sts.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.

GOOD EMPTY CASKS SUITABLE FOR PACKing winter apples; also empty packing boxes.

CHARLES GABRIEL & CO.,
no12tf Next to Redfern's.

TO RENT.

A ROOM IN THE COLONIST BUILDING, WITH Steam Power.
no20 Apply on the premises.

COMOX HOTEL.

THIS HOTEL HAS BEEN ENTIRELY RENOvated and enlarged and is now ready for the reception of guests.

The rooms are well furnished, and a FIRST-CLASS TABLE may be relied on.

EXCELLENT SHOOTING for Elk, Deer, Duck and Grouse in the neighborhood.

A first-class Establishment will be maintained.
no30dw1m J. A. CARTHEW, Proprietor.

TO PRINTERS.

HOE SINGLE CYLINDER PRESS FOR SALE

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je21tf Apply at *The Colonist* office.

FOR SALE

1440 ACRES CHOICE DELTA LANDS 3 miles from Ladner's Landing on the trunk wagon road; two other roads running through the premises. Apply to
E. A. WADHAMS
de23tf Ladner's Landing B.C.

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SAWMILL MEN & CONTRACTORS.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFER FOR SALE AT A great bargain the complete outfit of a

DOUBLE-CIRCULAR

STEAM SAWMILL,

Has been in use only two months. Capacity, 20 to 25 thousand feet per day. For price and description apply to JOHN HONEYMAN & CO.,
no15 1m Portland, Oregon.

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☞ Nitrous Oxide Gas (Laughing Gas) administered for the Painless Extraction of Teeth.

OFFICE HOURS—9 a. m., 5 p. m. mh26

A. C. WEST, SURGEON DENTIST,

ALL OPERATIONS PERFORMED IN A SKILful manner. Dental Rooms—Denny's building, Government street. my31 1m

T. J. JONES, L. D. S.,

GRADUATE AND MEMBER OF ROYAL College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario. Moody's Block, corner of Yates and Broad streets.

☞ All Dental Operations performed in a skilful manner

Has been 23 years engaged in dental practice. mh6

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REMOVAL.

JNO. TEAGUE, ARCHITECT

HAS REMOVED TO OFFICES OVER SHEARS & Page, London House, Government street. ap9

THOS. TROUNCE ARCHITECT, ETC.

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Street Lines and Measurements of any Lot in the city given and guaranteed. Designs and Tracings furnished at short notice. mh26 1m

PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

COWICHAN DISTRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLlowing Highways, 33 feet in width, are hereby catablished:—

Commencing at the north-east corner of Section 5, Range III, Somenos District, thence due east along the line between Sections 5 and 6, Range IV, to the main road, and having a width of 16½ feet on each side of said line.

Also, commencing at the north-east corner of Section 5, Range VI., Quamichan District, thence due east, along the line between Sections 5 and 6, Range VII., to the main road, and having a width of 16½ feet on each side of said line.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B. C., 28th Nov., 1884. de5 1m

J. & A. BOSKOWITZ,

JOHNSON ST., NEAR WHARF,

HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID FOR FURS AND DEER SKINS.

a12 3m

TENDERS.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS, ENDORSED "TENDER FOR Fuel," will be received by the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to

NOON OF WEDNESDAY, THE 30TH INST.,

For supplying the Government Buildings, James Bay, and Government House with Fuel.

Tenders must state the name and quality of the Coal proposed to be supplied, and the price per ton of 2,000lbs., and the price per cord of Dry Pine Wood cut in 12-inch lengths, to be delivered promptly in such quantities and at such times as may be ordered.

The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Surveyor-General.
Lands & Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 23d Dec., 1884. de24

NOTICE

TO CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to Noon of

THURSDAY, 15TH JANUARY NEXT,

For the Erection of a Wharf at Denman Island.

Plans and Specifications can be seen and Forms for Tender obtained at the office of the undersigned, or at the residence of Robert Swan, Esq., Denman Island.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Surveyor-General.
Lands & Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 22rd Dec., 1884. de24

NOTICE.

TO CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS

SEALED TENDERS, PROPERLY ENDORSED, will be received by the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to

Noon of Monday, 29th inst.,

For the erection and completion of a

GAOL AT NEW WESTMINSTER

Plans and Specifications can be seen and forms for tender obtained at the office of the undersigned, or at the Government Office, New Westminster.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Surveyor-General.
Lands and Works Dept,
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 13th, 1884. de14

PUBLIC NOTICE.

YALE DISTRICT.

SOUTH THOMPSON RIVER FERRY

SEALED TENDERS, PROPERLY ENDORSED, will be received by the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works, up to noon of WEDNESDAY, 31st December next, for the right of maintaining a Ferry, for a term of five years, across the South Thompson River, at a point near the confluence of the North and South Branches of the Thompson River.

The ferry right to extend from the said confluence of the rivers a distance of two miles up the South Thompson.

Tenders are to state the capacity of the boat proposed to be used, the rent proposed to be paid to the Government, and the rate of toll to be collected for every—

Foot passenger,
Team, with waggon and driver,
Horse and mule,
Loaded animal,
Head of beef cattle,
Sheep, pig or goat,
Hundred pounds weight of freight.

With each tender must be submitted the names of two responsible parties willing to sign a bond for the sum of $500 as security for the faithful carrying out of the contract.

All officers of the Provincial Government, with their animals and freight, to pass free.

W. S. GORE,
Surveyor-General.
Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., 16th Nov., 1884. no14

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
19th December, 1884.

WHEREAS THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR in Council is empowered, under the "Public Schools Act, 1879," to create School Districts, in addition to those already existing, and to define the boundaries thereof, and from time to time to alter the boundaries of existing Districts; it is hereby notified that His Honor has been pleased to direct that the boundary of the Big Bar School District be altered and re-defined as follows:—

All that tract of land embraced within the circumference of a circle whose centre shall be the mouth of Big Bar Creek, and whose radius shall be a distance of twenty (20) miles from such centre.

By Command.
JNO. ROBSON,
de25 2w Provincial Secretary.

"JURORS' ACT, 1883."

To the Jury Selectors for Victoria District:

YOU ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO HOLD, on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1885, a Special Sittings at the Court House, James Bay, City of Victoria, for the purpose of selecting and having made up the Jury Lists of Victoria District, and for so doing let this be your warrant.

Given under my hand and seal, at the City of Victoria, B. C., this 22nd day of December, A. D. 1884.

[L. S.] CLEMENT F. CORNWALL,
de25 2w Lieutenant-Governor.

WM. MCGIRR. CAPT. W. R. SPENCE.

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RAILWAYS.

ESQUIMALT AND NANAIMO R. R.

CONTRACTOR'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, Sept. 22, 1884.

SCHEDULE OF WAGES

FOR WHITE LABOR ON THE ESQUIMALT AND NANAIMO RAILWAY.

Rock Foreman	$3 00 to	$4 00	per day
Earth Foreman	2 50	3 00	"
Bridge Foreman	3 50	4 00	"
Bridge Carpenters		3 00	"
Blacksmiths, 1st class		3 50	"
Drillers	2 00	2 25	"
Laborers	1 75	2 00	"
Hewers		3 00	"
Choppers	1 75	2 00	"

All outside labor ten hours per day.
All carpenters to furnish their own chest tools.
All employees find themselves bed, board and lodging.
Boarding Houses will be convenient along the line.
Board, $4 per week.
It will not be compulsory for employees to board in the company's houses.
Wages will be paid monthly on the 15th of each month.

GRAHAM & BUSK,
se23tf Contractors.

OFFICE OF THE CONTRACTORS

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

YALE, March 1st, 1883.

NEW SCHEDULE OF WAGES FOR WHITE LABOR

— ON THE

Canadian Pacific Railway

IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Overseers	$125 ₱ month	
Rock Foreman	$3 to $4 ₱ day	
Earth Foremen	$2 50 to $3	"
Bridge Foremen	$3 50 to $4	"
Bridge Carpenters (1st class)	$3 50	"
do do (2d class)	$3	"
Masons	$2 50 to $3 50	"
Stonecutters	$3 to $3 50	"
Blacksmiths (1st class)	$3 50	"
do (2d class)	$3	"
Drillers	$2 to $2 25	"
Laborers	$1 75 to $2	"
Hewers	$3 50	"
Choppers	$2 to $2 50	"

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It will not be compulsory for employés to board in the Company's houses
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TIME TABLE.

ATLANTIC EXPRESS.

Leaves Victoria at	5.00 a.m
Arrives at New Tacoma at	6.00 p.m
Arrives at Portland at	8.45 a.m
Leaves Portland at	11.40 a.m.
Arrives at Walla Walla at	2.03 a.m.
Arrives at Helena, Mon., at	6.30 a.m.
Arrives at St. Paul, Minn., at	12.25 p.m.

ATLANTIC EMIGRANT TRAIN.

Leaves Portland at	8.25 a.m.

(Emigrants are carried on Express Trains between Helena and St. Paul.)

PACIFIC EXPRESS.

Leaves St. Paul at	4.05 p.m
Leaves Helena at	8.30 p.m
Leaves Walla Walla at	9.56 p.m
Arrives at Portland at	11.40 a.m
Arrives at New Tacoma at	10.45 p.m
Arrives at Victoria at	3.00 p.m

PACIFIC EMIGRANT TRAIN.

(Emigrants are carried on Express Trains betw St. Paul and Helena.)

Arrives at Portland at	4.15 p.m

NOTE—Steamers leave here at 4 a m. Standard Time, connecting at Portland with express and emigrant trains.

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Daily Colonist.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 27TH, 1884.

L. P. FISHER, Advertising Agent, 21 Merchants Exchange, San Francisco, is authorised to receive advertisements for the columns of this paper.

$20 REWARD

WILL BE PAID FOR THE ARREST AND conviction of any person who may steal *The Colonist* from the door of a subscriber.

THE BETTER COURSE.

The Los Angeles Times is making war upon wheat-growing in that state. The discovery that it does not pay to grow wheat in California is not as recent as our southern contemporary imagines. It was proclaimed twelve years ago in Nordhoff's "California." But the simultaneous increase in the demand for California fruit and the drop in the market value of cereals have attracted special attention to the matter just now. According to the estimate of the State Bureau of Agriculture, California produced this year 57,000,000 bushels of wheat. Deducting 10 cents per bushel for transportation by rail to market, which will be found to be about the average for the whole state, this crop will net the growers about 45 cents per bushel, or $25,650,000 for the whole crop. This crop was grown on an average of about 2,500,000 acres. It is keeping within bounds to say that had this acreage been planted in fruit or grapes it would have yielded from $250,000,000 to $400,000,000. The farmers in that case would have realized a net profit, after charging up their own labor, their hired help, the cost of plants, manure, etc., of not less than $200,000,000, whereas it is reasonably certain that the wheat-grower this year, if he charges himself with his own labor, will find that he has not made a cent. To grow wheat for less than a cent a pound requires exceptionally favorable conditions. Well may the Los Angeles Times inquire: "Are we not devoting too large a proportion of our rich and fertile lands to wheat-growing, which might much more profitably be devoted to vine and fruit growing?" The Sacramento Bee has got the right idea. It says:

"An acre of vineyard, almost anywhere in the state, will yield five tons of grapes, worth $30 a ton, making a total of $150, against a total of $19.80 from a yield of 30 bushels of wheat on the same area of land. The profit on the grain is $1.80; on the grapes at least $100. The estimate for grapes is moderate. A single vineyard of 300 acres near Fresno is producing this year about 2,000 tons, worth $50,200, at $25 a ton. It would take about 1,500 acres of land, producing 30 bushels to the acre, to raise grain enough to bring that amount this year. What a vast waste of valuable space wheat-growing involves in California."

A large demand has lately sprung up for California desiccated or evaporated fruits. For these articles there appears to be a practically unlimited demand at the East, and they are being raised with marked success in Santa Barbara, Fresno and other southern counties. Two hundred dollars an acre is a moderate estimate for the yield of land devoted to this industry, if intelligently pursued.

THE RELEASE OF AMERICAN PRISONERS.

The San Francisco Post of late date, goes after the Victoria legal authorities who effected the release of the two American prisoners who came up on the steamer Elder, en route to Seattle in charge of the sheriff of that city. The prisoners appealed for asylum under the British flag which was granted them, Judge Walkem deciding that the vessel being in British waters it was out of the jurisdiction of the United States. The Post asserts that the Elder being an American vessel plying between two American ports—merely stopping at Victoria as an intermediate port—and sailing under the American flag, was not subject to the jurisdiction of the British court at Victoria, which therefore exceeded its powers in the action alluded to. In reply to this it is only necessary to repeat two extracts from Gallandel's "Manual of International Law" quoted by Mr. Haines, the Seattle lawyer who managed the case of the prisoners, and which we published at the time. They read as follows:

"Absolute exemption from local jurisdiction is only enjoyed by ships-of-war and armed vessels touching at a foreign port; they being regarded as representing, in some sort, the country whose flag they carry.

"This exemption is never accorded to merchant vessels, except by express treaty stipulations, such vessels being looked upon as private property, and the persons on board as properly under the jurisdiction of the country where they are found."

The Post thinks the matter will be referred to the State department at Washington where it will probably become the subject of a diplomatic correspondence with England. In which case, says the Post, "the colonial court will probably receive a severe reprimand, and be told hereafter to confine itself to its proper jurisdiction." Very likely.

THE SNOW-BOUND TRAINS.

Nothing new from the region of the snowed-in trains. Eight men have succeeded in making their way to Portland during the week and they report ten more on the way. One of the arrivals on being interviewed said that if the wind had been against them they could not have made a mile a day. While the snow fell, they could not see six feet ahead. In crossing trestles, the only safe way was to lie down, hold to the rails and crawl. In places the men were blown ten to twenty-five feet, literally raised from the surface and carried. During Friday night the snow west of Bonneville melted under the influence of a short lived "chinook" and next day was covered with a crust of ice so hard that a foot heel brought heavily down would not break through. So the only thing to do was to hold to the telegraph wires while climbing up snow banks and slide down the other side. The snow-bound train he said was in a sheltered place in the woods. The engines were up to the top of the smoke-stack in snow and the baggage car to the roof, but the passenger coaches are on trestle and cannot be covered. There is enough timber in sight to warm the cars for five years and needs only to be cut, so there is no danger from cold. He thought there were about fifty children among the emigrants.

ALASKA NEWS.

Upon enquiry we are satisfied that the strictures upon the standing of the judicial and other officials of Alaska contained in our late budget of news from that quarter was not warranted by the facts and that they inflict a grave injustice on all the gentlemen referred to. We therefore unreservedly withdraw the same, and express our deep regret that we were misled into publishing them.

DELAYED DISPATCHES.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The distress at Glasgow, Liverpool and other ports has attracted the attention of the queen, who desires to open a subscription for the relief of the sufferers, and has asked the government for information on the subject. It is reported that Gladstone is unwilling to admit the existence of distress, and opposes the queen's proposition.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Prince Albert will join the Grenadiers at the close of his studies at the university. The Prince of Wales requests that no distinction be made between Duke Albert and other officers.

SOUTH AMERICA.

PANAMA, Dec. 24.—There was considerable disturbance during the elections. Several persons were killed and wounded.

CANADA.

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—During last winter and spring a number of incendiary fires occurred in Georgetown and vicinity, the sufferers being chiefly officers charged with the execution of the provisions of the Scott temperance act. Suspicion pointed to the notorious Francis Sidey, belonging to Syracuse, N. Y., who confided to another party that he had done the work at the instigation of liquor dealers. Sidey, believing himself safe, went to the United States. A government detective got information of his return last week, and succeeded in arresting him yesterday at Lindsay. He took him to Oakville to-day, where he was indicted. He is wanted at Cobourg and other places. Should he turn queen's evidence, as expected, there will be a sensation.

QUEBEC, Dec. 24.—John C. Eno, the New York fugitive, entered a billiard tournament at the Mechanics' club, and won a gold medal valued at $50.

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 24.—Glove-fighting is to be stopped here.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 24.—A renewal of the riots between Orangemen and Ribbon men on Conception Bay is expected.

The steamer Faraday, that has just repaired the Bennett Mackay cable, sailed to-night for London.

EASTERN STATES.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 24.—Henry A. Wilson died early this morning, aged fifty-four years, at his residence, 172 Summit avenue. Mr. Wilson was one of the oldest and best-known lawyers in St Paul.

AMBOY, Ill., Dec. 24.—Major L. H. Sanger, Eleventh infantry, United States army, died here to-day of heart disease.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—A fire started this morning in the cellar of J. R. Mills & Co.'s mercantile printing establishment, in the northwest corner of the Masonic Temple, and extended rapidly into other portions of the temple, destroying the cathedral of the order and other property.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Direct United States Cable Company and the French Cable Company made a reduction in the cable tariff this morning to Great Britain, Ireland and France, to 40 cents per word, meeting the cut made by the Mackay-Bennett Cable Company.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

WALLA WALLA, Dec. 24.—At 5:30 p.m. the roof of Small's Opera House fell in. The building was only erected this year. The cause is supposed to be melting snow weakening the mortar, as all the snow had been shoveled off previously. Two hours later and hundreds would probably have been killed, as the Methodist Church Christmas ceremonies were to have been held there. As it is no one was hurt, but the roof, with all its weight, fell flat just where the audience would have been.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Articles of incorporation of the Alaska Commercial Company were filed to-day. The directors are F. Tamlabue, A. H. Bush, W. J. Taylor, J. M. Thompson and J. M. Wilde. Capital, $100,000.

Gen. Hazen, of the United States signal service, has decided to establish a branch station of the main bureau of the department in this city, which will probably be located in the Merchants' Exchange building, where the local station is already quartered. Heretofore, Pacific coast weather reports have been sent direct to Washington, but it is believed that whoever is assigned to take charge of the new bureau will collate and condense reports here and send indications east.

Robbery and Outrage.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 23.—A second horrible outrage and robbery by hooded burglars in the past three days has greatly excited the people of this city. On Sunday six masked men entered the home of Mrs. Workenour, and after horribly beating the family, stole about $5000 in gold. Last night four men, evidently of the same gang, broke into the house of Elijah Marling, a bachelor and miser, and finding only $182 on his person, put him to horrible torture to force him to reveal the hiding place of his gold. He was tied to a bed post, stripped and a red-hot poker applied to his back and thighs in no less than twenty places. Hot oil was also poured down his back, and his sufferings were terrible in the extreme. He evidently had no money concealed. In their anger at the failure, the burglars struck him a heavy blow on the head, and left him hanging insensible in his fastenings. He was found six hours after, nearly frozen and half dead, and his condition is dangerous. He is nearly sixty years of age.

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Parties having accounts against the said firm will please present them at once

All accounts not paid before the first day of February next will be placed in the hands of a solicitor for collection.

All communications to be addressed to me at Yale, B.C.

W. B. GLADWIN, Administrator.

Spence's Bridge, B.C., Dec. 20th, 1884 dec27 1m

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 22nd December, 1884.

HIS HONOR THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR in Council, under the authority of Section 17 of the "Judicature Act, 1879," has been pleased to make the following "Rules of Court," viz:—

(1.) That a Vacation of the Supreme Court be appointed, commencing on the 24th December instant and terminating on the 6th day of January, 1885.

(2.) That during such vacation no cause shall be tried except by leave of a Judge previously obtained on summons.

(3.) That the time of such vacation shall not be reckoned in the computation of the times appointed or allowed by the "Rules of Court, 1880," for filing, amending or delivering any pleading, unless by special leave obtained from a Judge upon summons.

(4.) That any pleading delivered in such vacation, unless by previous order of a Judge obtained on summons, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the day following the end of such vacation.

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JNO. ROBSON, Provincial Secretary.

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JNO. J. AUSTIN, Secty and Treasurer.

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 18th December, 1884.

THE PUBLIC OFFICES OF THE PROVINCIAL Government will be closed from Thursday the 25th to Saturday the 27th inst., inclusive, and from Thursday the 1st to Saturday the 3rd proximo, inclusive.

JNO. ROBSON, Provincial Secretary.

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WE BEG TO INTIMATE

TO OUR CUSTOMERS THAT, HAVING MADE arrangements to retire from business on the 31st of this month, all accounts must be settled on or before that date.

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Victoria, B.C., 5th Dec., 1884. de6

Daily Colonist.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 27TH, 1884

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED

Dec. 26—Str North Pacific, Pt Townsend
Str Enterprise, Nanaimo
Str G. W. Elder, Pt Townsend
Str Princess Louise, Burrard Inlet
Str Grace, Burrard Inlet

CLEARED.

Dec. 20—Str North Pacific, Port Townsend.
Str G. W. Elder, San Francisco
Str Yosemite, Burrard Inlet
Str Princess Louise, Nanaimo

PASSENGERS.

Per str NORTH PACIFIC from Puget Sound—A Hennlisch, W H Smith, Capt Orr, H B Tiedemann, A Williams, G B Connelly, D Harris, W Murray, P Milne.

Per ss GEO. W. ELDER, for San Francisco—Geo Beckingham, R E Brown, Edward Brown, R Dalziel, J Heyne, A Davidson, Rev Kashevaroff, Lee Shuck and wf, and others.

Per str GEO. E. STARR, from Puget Sound—G H Grier, S W Delane, M J Carkeek, S Carkeek, D E Bigelow, W Mahaffey, J Murray, K McClanahan, 2 Indians, 2 Chinese.

DEATHS.

In this city, on the 25th inst., Frederick Augustus, aged seven years and nine months, second son of A. B. Gray.

The funeral will take place THIS DAY (Saturday) at 2:30 p.m., from the residence, James Bay.

Christmas Day.

Yesterday was generally observed as a holiday, and the streets presented a rather deserted appearance. The various Episcopal churches celebrated the usual Christmas service and communion, and were well attended considering the disagreeable state of the weather.

In the afternoon a number indulged in the luxury of a sleigh drive, though even that novelty is now getting general. The great majority of our citizens passed the day at home among their households, for Christmas is essentially a family reunion.

The inmates at the hospitals were not forgotten, and contributions were sent by various citizens and a special dinner provided at the Royal Hospital, while St. Joseph's inmates were also specially looked after. Many contributions were also sent to the Protestant Orphans' Home, and the fatherless were given a special treat.

The Langrishe Co. gave a performance in the Philharmonic Hall, but were greeted with a very slim audience, although the play presented was a specially amusing one and well rendered.

The unusual amount of ozone in the atmosphere added to the liquid article had a somewhat hilarious effect on a number of men, a few of whom became so boisterous as to render it necessary for their freedom to be curtailed. However, the city was rather quiet, and the holiday passed in the good old-fashioned way.

Personal.

Mr. Edwin Leigh, who left Victoria some six weeks since on a visit to lower California for the benefit of his health, writes to a friend very cheerfully from San Bernardino, where he is at present residing, of improvement experienced. He remarks, "Strange to say, I have not met a familiar face since I left; but a kinder hearted, and more obliging lot of people, it would be hard to find."

Mr. F. Brown, who has very efficiently discharged the duties of night operator at the Victoria telegraph office, left yesterday for Yale, where he has been appointed to the charge of the post and telegraph office. Mr. Brown was popular here, and will no doubt fill his new office with the same credit as here.

Marine.

Steamer Whitelaw has reached San Francisco.

Steamer Barnard Castle sailed Dec. 23d for Departure Bay. On same date ship Harvester sailed for Nanaimo.

British bark Duke of Connaught, from Victoria, arrived at Callao Dec. 4.

The steamer Otter will go to Metlakahtla and way ports on the 2d prox. at 5 p.m.

The Steamer Alexander arrived last evening with the ship Theobald in tow. The ship is coal laden for San Francisco from Nanaimo.

For Holiday Presents

Go to the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store, Government street. H. MANSELL. *

THE BRUNSWICK HOTEL.—This hotel has lately been fitted up in first-class style. Mr. W. E. Osterhout, the genial proprietor, has lately spared neither pains or money to bring it up to the standard of the best hotels in our city. The rooms are elegant, the meals, which are only twenty-five cents, are the best procurable, and we would advise those who are fond of good living to go and judge for themselves.

WATERLOGGED.—The steam schooner Grace floated off the rocks at Gossip Island on Christmas day. After floating around for some time she was picked up by the Otter and towed into this port. The keel of the schooner is said to be greatly damaged and she will immediately be put on the ways for repairs.

LIST OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS RECEIVED AT ROYAL HOSPITAL.—Victoria Brewery, one barrel beer; Coun. Boyd, goose and wine; Finlayson, assorted fruit; King, cake; Harrison & McAllister, wines and spirits; Ofner, box fruit; James Fell & Co., wine and fruit; Carne & Munsie, box fruit; Jackson, tobacco; J. H. Todd, clothing. P. Jamieson, Sup't. Messrs. A. McLean and Jas. Fell presided at dinner.

POLICE COURT.—Jas. Mitchell, charged with assaulting an Indian woman was discharged. C. Alrik charged with stealing a blanket was remanded. Several Christmas drunks were treated to the usual fine.

THE choicest and most extensive stock in Watches, Fancy Clocks, Diamond goods, Gold and Silver Jewelry and Electroplated ware has just been opened by us for the holidays. They will be sold low. We extend a cordial invitation to the public to inspect these really beautiful goods which are beyond praise. LANGE & SON. *3dp

DIED.—Frederick A., second son of Mr. A. B. Gray, died Christmas evening, and will be buried at 2:30 this afternoon. The parents have the sympathy of all in their sore affliction.

LADIES' AND GENTS' FANCY SLIPPERS, in great variety, at the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store, Government street.
* H. MANSELL.

REPAIRED.—The Fleetwing, which put back leaking, and was towed to Burrard Inlet for repairs, is again ready for sea. The repairs were made at a small cost.

AN inspection of the handsomely bound books of the poets, offered by J. B. Ferguson & Co., will repay those wishing an elegant Xmas present. *

What Some People Say.

That ratepayers should take notice that unless all their rates and taxes are paid before the close of the year they will not be entitled to vote at the forthcoming election. *

That the telegraph tels of the findin in California of two petrified human bodies—a man and woman. They were probably young housekeepers who were petrified with astonishment of the contemplation of their first month's gas bill.

That realestate men have not sold much climate lately.

That there is skating this afternoon and evening at the Pavilion rink.

That near Astoria one day last week three roses were picked. They were artificial, of course, although the local editor says they were real.

That there is a nice assortment of Xmas presents at H. Short's. *

That JOS. SOMMERS has an endless variety of Picture Frames, Mouldings and Pictures. *

That rain is falling heavily at San Francisco and the streets are flooded.

That a weather bureau will be established at San Francisco. We shall be glad to have the fellow also responsible for this weather brought within easy reach of our right arm.

That the Portland postoffice authorities have decided to send the eastern mail via San Francisco and the Central Pacific as long as the Northern Pacific blockade continues.

That there is $40,000,000 of unclaimed money now in the vaults of the United States Treasury. Some editor evidently dropped it out of his pocket and never missed it.

That the finest assortment of goods suitable for Christmas Presents and New Year's Gifts can be seen at JOSEPH SOMMERS', Government street. *

That we have just received a fine lot of Pictures in gilt frames which are very cheap. M. W. Waitt & Co. 6t

That George Eliot said that half of the women of England died prematurely old "for the want of an aim in life." The women of England should join rifle teams and archery clubs.

That J. C. Flood, of San Francisco, made Christmas gifts to different charitable institutions of that city, amounting to $6000.

That the washout on the Northern caused nine days delay last winter, and the first arrival at Portland consisted of 723 sacks. At this season the mails are much larger than at any other, and if the road was to be opened now there would be over a thousand sacks poured in which would give some lively work to the boys.

That a larger variety of beautiful and instructive juvenile and attractive toy books is to be found at T. N. HIBBEN & Co 's than in any other store north of San Francisco. *

That but two flour cargoes have gone from the Columbia river to England this year, which is in marked contrast to last season, when a large percentage of the English grain shipments was in the condensed form of flour.

That the bland and plausible Geo. Werner has taken up his abode in Seattle.

That you can obtain at T. N. HIBBEN & Co 's everything that is to be had in any similar establishment, and a good many articles that they cannot get anywhere else. *

THAT FINE OLD BURTON AND EDINBURGH ALES IS ON DRAUGHT AT THE OCCIDENTAL

THAT THE XMAS CARDS DISPLAYED BY J. B. FERGUSON & CO. ARE ALL THIS YEAR'S DESIGNS.

That another paper will make its appearance to-day in the interests of the extreme liberal portion of the community.

That with no mails, the wires down (as usual), and very little transpiring in town, news is a mighty scarce article.

That the mayor and council are going to run the civic business without the seal of the city.

That the clerk of the weather must have been on a Christmas spree, judging from the many kinds of weather furnished within the last 48 hours.

THAT CRITICS PRONOUNCE FERGUSON & CO.'S XMAS CARDS THE MOST UNIQUE THEY HAVE SEEN.

That HALL the stationer at New Westminster is ready to supply promptly any newspaper and magazine published on this continent or in United Kingdom. His book store is well supplied with choice selections from the works of ancient and modern writers. Books imported direct from the publishers at their prices. New Year's cards from London at manufacturers prices. tj*

THAT YOU SHOULD SEE THE CANADIAN SCENERY ON XMAS CARDS AT FERGUSON'S.

WINTER SCENES IN XMAS CARDS AT FERGUSON'S.

That it is an acknowledged fact, the finest Wines, Brandies and Scotch Whiskies at Boyd's. *

Oregon Markets.

TUESDAY, DEC. 23.

WHEAT—No reports from other markets up to a late hour this afternoon. In the local market no new business is reported and buying is suspended, delivery being uncertain. Quotations are wholly nominal, but favor sellers having lots on the spot.

OATS—Choice feed sold at 35c. today.

BUTTER—Very little choice in and 30c is easily had. Late receipts include plenty of poor to worthless.

EGGS—Some dealers asking 40c while others sell at 37½c.

POULTRY—Turkeys sold at 13@45c. Chickens sold at $4@5 for best. Other poultry in scant supply and firm.

MEATS—Stocks getting low and values are firm throughout.

FIRST EXPORT OF BOOTS.—W. Heathorn shipped by the Starr to-day a trial order of heavy boots to the Diamond coal mine in Washington Territory. Should these prove satisfactory there is the possibility of a good market springing up on the Sound for our shoe manufactories.

THE MAILS.—The mails from the east which were forwarded to San Francisco would probably arrive at Portland last night, so there is the prospect of a mail arriving here within the next couple of days.

RAND & LIPSETT are now prepared to sell property in all parts of the townsite at Coal Harbor. *

J. B. FERGUSON & Co. have just opened a large line of Fancy Stationery, a direct importation from England. *

FOR SAN JUAN LIME, at reduced prices, go to J. WRIGLESWORTH, grocer, corner Yates and Blanchard streets. 1m*

WE have been shown some very pretty inkstands, new designs, by J. B. Ferguson & Co., the leading stationers of the city. *

Municipal Council.

The usual meeting of the city council was he'd last evening. Present—His Worship the Mayor, in the chair, Couns. Wriglesworth, Porter, Vigelius, J. Robertson and W. A. Robertson.

Coun. Wriglesworth stated that at the last meeting he was explaining his position in regard to the report of his remarks which appeared in *The Colonist* as chairman of the water works. He thought it was the council's duty to carry out the rules and regulations as to bear on all citizens. The water was brought to the city for domestic use only, and not to water lands and gardens. There ought to be a map, and all connections should be marked on it. The person who wrote a letter in *The Colonist* charging him with compounding a felony, and who applauded his speech and then criticized it from a false report, should in future stay at home.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From the deputy attorney general stating that his honor the lieutenant governor had been pleased to confirm the appointment of Mr. Edwin Johnson as police magistrate. Received and filed.

From Davie & Wilson enclosing bill in connection with the case of Jackson vs. the Corporation.

Coun. Wriglesworth explained that this was the case which the council had decided to appeal.

Coun. W. A. Robertson moved that his worship consult with the city barrister with a view to have the case appealed.

THAT SEAL.

Coun. Vigelius wanted to know if the civic seal was in the possession of the corporation.

His Worship—"No."

Coun. Vigelius could not see how anything was to be done without it.

His Worship—"Something we can and something we can't."

Coun. J. Robertson thought that the city barrister was to have been present and give his views on the subject. He thought that either the city barrister was leading the corporation astray or else the judge had not acted right.

Coun. Vigelius wanted to know if it was true that the sheriff had been sued for $25,000. He thought this was too much and wanted to know who was carrying on the suit?

His Worship—The council.

Coun. Vigelius—I am satisfied if the others are.

The clerk wished to know if the election by-law should be published without the seal being affixed.

His Worship—Certainly. When I was sworn in I received the seal from very exalted hands—the chief justice—who subsequently sent his officer—the sheriff—and took it away from me, and I am not going after it to bring it back.

Coun. Wriglesworth moved the first reading of a by-law to amend the officers remuneration by-law. Carried.

Coun. Vigelius moved that the usual $100 be donated to the various charitable institutions in the city. Carried.

Coun. Wriglesworth moved that a committee be empowered to have a map made showing the plan of water pipes. If this was done it would save a great deal of trouble.

The water commissioner stated that the council had just such a map but it was rather small. Laid over.

ACCOUNTS.

The monthly accounts, amounting to $816.71 were then read and referred to finance committee.

RETURNING OFFICER.

A ballot was then opened for a returning officer at the forthcoming municipal election which resulted in the election of R. Nuttall. Messrs W. C. Robinson, W. Brooks, R. Plummer, S. C. Marshall, and W. Edmond were elected deputies.

The council then adjourned at 9.15 p m.

Kamloops and Vicinity.

The Inland Sentinel of the 18th contains the following:

One of the two buildings back of the College, formerly occupied by the Fathers and Brothers, has of late been occupied by an ailing man named Robille, who is partially paralized. Tuesday noon as one of the Brothers went to the back part of the College after dinner, he discovered the fire breaking out a few hundred yards off. He gave the alarm and rushed to the rescue of the sick man, and assisted in his removal just in time to save him from the flames. The house and contents were destroyed. Loss probably $500; no insurance.

Last Tuesday evening a man named Joe Sullivan, while working at Ferguson's tunnel work, had an explosion while heating giant powder, and it was thought escaped with a severe injury to his left hand. Dr. Offerhaus went to the tunnel and next day the man came up to Dr. Tunstall's hospital where he died on Wednesday night.

Mr. R. Stevenson, of Chilliwhack, had his grist mill and shingle factory recently burned down. Loss about $2,000 over insurance.

The present week set in with the thermometer nearly 10 below zero; Monday night it reached 12 below; since that time it has grown milder, and to-day it is pleasant in the bright sunshine. Very little snow as yet in town or vicinity; upon the mountains a white covering is to be seen.

Navigation is, doubtless, closed; the Peerless is here partly drawn out upon the ways; the Spallumcheen is frozen in somewhere toward Eagle Pass. The Lady Dufferin is taking a rest down the river near Hudson Bay Meadow, where she is out of danger from floating ice.

The opening in the North River is gradually narrowing, as the ice is extending from either shore. The swift current brings large quantities of floating ice down the river to empty into the South Thompson river, where it accumulates and moved along with the current toward the ocean, if not held by jams between Kamloops and New Westminster.

To Love is Sweet; to be Loved Sublime.

To accomplish both you should procure some lovely articles from our establishment for the cherrished one; and we will guarantee the Effect as well as the Goods.
LANGE & SON. *

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At a regular convention of Far West Lodge No. 1, K. of P., held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: C. C., W. S. Wraight; V. C. C., H. Rendell; P., A. Watson; K. of R. & S., D. F. Fee, Jr. (re-elected); M. at A., R. J. Plummer; M. of F., W. Brooks; M. of E., H. Bensen.

"THOROUGHBRED."—This is title of a new steel engraving we have seen in the establishment of J. B. Ferguson & Co. It is a magnificent work of art, worthy a place among the best. **

GOLD PENS and Pencil Cases at Hibben & Co.'s. *

New Westminster.

(Columbian.)

There is very little snow in New Westminster.

The only thing lacking now in the perfect happiness of the people is sleighing and a smooth piece of ice upon which to enjoy a comfortable skate.

Mr. C. L McCammon, C. E., arrived down from Kamloops by special the other day. He reports that, at the time of leaving, preparations had been made to stop all light work on the railway for the winter, as the weather was exceedingly cold. Heavy work will be carried on wherever practicable. Arrangements were made to push the work of construction next spring with the greatest possible vigor. Two new steamers are being built at Kamloops to carry supplies from Savona through as far as Eagle Pass. This will make five steamers on the lake for next season. The track has now reached Savona.

On Monday the adjourned railway meeting was held in the council chambers, Mr. J. A. R. Homer in the chair. There were present Messrs. Homer, Curtis, Webster, Hendry, J. C. Armstrong, W. J. Armstrong, Chisholm, Trapp, and Bole. Mr. Webster, on behalf of the committee, said he could not see all the persons whose names were on the list, but those he had seen were not in favor of accepting Mr. Corbould's proposition. It was then resolved to reject Mr. Corbould's proposal, and Mr. Webster submitted a list of 23 persons who had been seen or anticipated as probable members. It was resolved that the railway be called the Fraser River Valley Railway. Messrs. Webster, J. C. Armstrong and Trapp were appointed a committee to obtain additional names and make all necessary arrangements, and report at next meeting. Mr. Trapp was appointed secretary, and the meeting adjourned until seven o'clock next Monday night.

We are informed that Mr. and Mrs. Fraser, parents of the lighthouse keeper lately drowned, together with three sons, are expected from the east sometime in January. When they arrive all the living members of the family will be in this province. It is intended to remove the body of Hugh H Fraser from Point Roberts, where it was temporarily interred, to this city.

On Monday Mr. W. H. Burr, who has been in this city a few days, received a telegram from Ladner's Landing informing him that his wife had died suddenly that morning after an illness of two days. The river at this city was blocked with ice to such an extent that Mr. Burr could not cross to reach his home, and the body could not be forwarded here for interment. The circumstances are peculiarly sad, and we are sure Mr. Burr will have a great deal of public sympathy.

Canadian Pacific Railway.

A reporter had a chat with Major Roger's yesterday in reference to the great transcontinental road of Canada. The Major has run a line along the shore of Burrard Inlet from Port Moody to the town of Hastings, and has located a very fair route. Of course this will not be final, as other lines will no doubt be run, as is generally the policy of the company, to discover the very best route for construction. Should another line be adopted for the main traffic, no doubt the shore line will also be built so soon as the trade demands it, and there seems a general feeling that the C. P. R. will have the lion's share of the transcontinental trade.

Major Rogers illustrated some reasons why the Canadian road would be the easier and most inexpensive road to operate. He said that after leaving Omaha you passed through a very good grazing country and then struck the Rocky Mountains, after which the land was fit for nothing all through until the Sacramento valley was reached. This covered a distance of 1,300 miles. The same would be as true of the other transcontinental roads of the United States. On the Canadian Pacific the mountain ranges were very close together, there being only the gorge through which the rivers pass to separate the different ranges. These cover a distance of about 400 miles west of the Columbia river. East of this is the wonderful prairie country, while there is a great deal of grazing land along the line of road, and north and south of it are districts which will support a large agricultural population.

The Spillamcheen district the Major speaks of in the highest praise as an agricultural country. The snow fall has never been known to be more than two or three feet, so there is no danger of detention of trains, such as are the present experience of all other transcontinental roads. Major Rogers thinks the Canadian Pacific has the inside track and will improve the advantage until it becomes the greatest overland freight and passenger carrier of the North American continent.

Death of Horace Hawes.

Horace Hawes, republican candidate for the State Assembly for San Francisco county at the las election, died at his residence on Friday last. He was a son of the late Horace Hawes, one of the most eminent lawyers of the State. Mr. Hawes was a young man of much promise, well educated and a great traveller, having visited most of the places of interest in Europe.

At the late election he made a brilliant fight for the Assembly, being beaten only by a very small majority by the present Assemblyman, J. G. Coleman. Mr. Hawes was only 25 years of age and leaves a wife and two small children, besides a large circle of friends and acquaintances to mourn his premature demise on the threshold of a brilliant and promising career.

DELAYED FREIGHT.—There are over 300 cars of freight destined for Puget Sound and Victoria ports, at the eastern side of Wallula junction awaiting the opening of traffic. Forty-six of these are for Victoria, and if the blockade is not soon overcome there is the likelihood of inextricable confusion resulting therefrom, unless extraordinary care is taken in its shipment at Tacoma. The Geo. E. Starr yesterday brought over 35 tons of freight for Victoria.

THE celebrated Russell property which adjoins the Railway Syndicate's lands on False Creek is now for sale by Rand & Lipsett, real estate brokers, Victoria, B. C. *

DELAYED MAILS TO BE FORWARDED.—The superintendent of the railway service has given instructions to forward all mails that are detained at Portland to San Francisco, whence they will be dispatched East via. the Central and Union Pacific roads.

JUST the thing for a Christmas present—A fine engraving or portrait in a handsome frame. JOS. SOMMERS, Government street. *

TOY BOOKS.—Among the lovely designs of toy books this season those on sale by J. B. Ferguson & Co. are the finest we have seen, just the thing to make the children happy on Christmas morning. *

Portland Gamblers.

Between 3 and 4 o'clock Wednesday morning a lively little game of poker took place in the Cosmopolitan gambling hall, Portland. Three gamblers, Brady, Gatswood and Weber had $3,370 in gold coin, and a diamond ring valued at $500 lying in a little heap on the table before them, and the game was going bravely on. It was a "jack" pot and the players had each been "raised" several times, until at last Brady had deposited his diamond ring and announced that that was the extent of his "pile."

When the three sat down to play the situation of affairs was as follows: There was an understanding in the minds of Weber and Gatwood that Brady was to be fleeced; on the other hand, there was an understand between Gatwood and Brady, at least in the mind of the latter, that they two should stand in together and freeze out Weber as cold as the weather was just outside the heated gambling hall.

Gatwood had dealt the cards, giving Brady four aces, Weber a "straight flush," and himself a "full hand." Weber knew he had the "dead wood" on the "pot," Brady was certain that he had, and Gatwood felt supremely indifferent.

This beatific state was changed in the twinkling of an eye when each man spread his cards out upon the table. Weber reached for the money and diamond, but Brady, with an oath, instantly supplemented his four aces with a fifth, which he drew from his hip pocket flourished threateningly close to Weber's eyes, so that there was no difficulty about his seeing it. It was nickel plated, and utterly regardless of the other four that lay upon the table, was sufficient in itself to beat a "straight flush" all hollow. Weber acknowledged the potency of the persuader, and Brady filled his overcoat pocket with the "boodle" and walked off.

Chief of Police Parrish was called in, who arrested Brady upon a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, preferred by Weber. The money and the diamond ring were found on Brady, and locked up by the chief in his safe. Brady was put into a cell, but a few hours after gave bail and was released.

The exposure of the poker game, made public by the gamblers themselves, gave Chief Parrish an opportunity for which he has been waiting. He at once ordered the arrest of Weber, Gatwood and Brady for gambling. All three were arraigned in the police court next morning and waived examination, each furnishing bonds for his appearance before the grand jury in the sum of $300. Brady also waived examination on the charge of assault with a deadly weapon, and gave still other bonds in the sum of $500.

Holiday Goods.

An elegant assortment of Plush and Fancy Goods just received at
M. W. WAITT & Co.'s
Book and Stationery Store.

ROBBERY.—While the Indians of the reservation were holding a celebration Christmas night, some of their number stole the trunk of one named Dick, and abstracted therefrom the sum of $990 in gold. The matter is in the hands of the provincial police, who are hunting for the culprits.

REAL ESTATE.—Mr. S. Lowenberg and Mr. D. R. Harris have formed a partnership for the purpose of carrying on the business of the late Mr Ld. Lowenberg, as real estate agents and surveyors, under the firm name of Lowenberg, Harris & Co.

J. B. FERGUSON & Co. have just received a large assortment of Christmas and New Year cards, the finest we have seen.

FOR all kinds of BOOTS and SHOES go to the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store, Government street. H. MANSELL. *

China and Japan.

CHINA.

Hongkong Mail, Nov. 11th: According to our telegraphic advices from the north, a council of the ministers of all the chief departments at Peking was held to consider the conditions of peace offered by France, and it failed to recommend their adoption. There is good reason to believe, however, that the negotiations are still being continued, and no doubt both France and China would be very glad to arrive at a settlement.

Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. are reported to have concluded a loan for 5,000,000 taels with the Chinese government at 7 per cent.

Assaults on missionaries and foreigners continue to occur throughout China; so far, however, no murders have taken place.

It is stated that Li Hung Chang has purchased from Messrs. Schmidt & Co., a German house established at Tientsin, arms to the value of 160,000 taels

It is rumored among the Chinese here that the Chinese government intends to hand over the island of Lantao, only a few miles distant from Hongkong, to the German government. If this rumor be realized Hongkong will have hard work to maintain its position as a leading commercial depot in the far East.

The Chinese government is still extending its telegraphic communications. Hoihow, on the island of Hainan, in the south, is to be connected by cable with Pakhoi, on the mainland.

There has been some insubordination among the Chinese troops near Fosan Hsisen, and several of them have had their heads cut off. It originated in some squeeze of the officers withholding pay, etc.

A collision, attended with fatal consequences, occurred at Manila on the evening of November 5th, between the steamers Butuan and Maria, both Spanish. In less than a minute after the collision the Maria had sunk in deep water. Eighty-three persons belonging to the crew and passengers were saved by those on board the Butuan, which remained by the wreck until the following morning. It is believed some twenty-one persons perished by the collision. Among the saved is the captain, who had received a severe cut on the head.

JAPAN.

YOKOHAMA, Nov. 28.—From a return recently issued the number of schools in the empire is said to be 30,662, which are attended by 3,090,918 scholars.

The Japanese government has remitted the indemnity of $400,000, which was payable by Corea, in consequence of the attack on the Japanese Legation at Seoul.

The country appears to have again quieted down, and we hear no more of riots, although the complaints of poverty and distress are still prevalent. Some relief has been given by the issue of a notice from the government that taxes may be paid in rice.

The English language is to be taught in the female normal schools.

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SHARON-HILL.

Sarah Althea Wins Her Case.

She is Declared the Legal Wife of Sharon.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—The celebrated Sharon divorce case has been decided in favor of the plaintiff.

The suit, as brought by the plaintiff, Miss Sarah Althea Hill, claiming to be the wife of ex-Senator Sharon, was for a divorce and division of the common property. Judge Sullivan's decision is a very comprehensive one, and contains about 26 words. After reviewing the testimony, he concludes by declaring that under the laws of California plaintiff is the legal wife of Sharon, and as such is entitled to a divorce on the ground of wilful desertion and to a division of the common property. The latter is estimated to be worth ten million dollars. The verdict is a great surprise to the public, it having been generally supposed, from the contradictory character of the testimony, that plaintiff would have been nonsuited. It is believed that Sharon will appeal.

In prefacing, Judge Sullivan said: The prosecution of plaintiff's claim has been sought to be obstructed by criminal prosecution for perjury, forgery and conspiracy. The case has been disgusting beyond description, and tiresome almost beyond endurance. The testimony has developed an amount of perjury rarely, if ever, paralleled in the jurisprudence of this State. In trying to find my way through the mass of perjury in which the case abounds, I have sought as far as possible to find some writing of one party or the other whose genuineness was admitted or established to my satisfaction, and to subordinate the result of all oral evidence to the effect of such written testimony. The first paper of importance as evidence is the letter written in ink, addressed 'My dear wife.' Defendant claims that this paper, as far as bearing the word 'wife,' is a forgery. From all the evidence on the subject it is my opinion that the entire as letter is in the handwriting of defendant are also all the other exhibits similarly addressed."

Judge Sullivan then proceeds to review the collateral facts in the case and pronounces them all in favor of the validity of the secret marriage contract. He unhesitatingly gives it as his opinion that the contract is genuine and written as plaintiff testified it was. He believes her story in every particular. Referring to Miss Hill's life prior to the date of the contract, he says that in the absence of proof to the contrary he must regard the plaintiff as a chaste and virtuous woman, and the whole story of her acquaintance with Sharon forbade the idea that a chase woman could so have consented to become a paid mistress.

The judge then refers to the relations of the parties during 1881, 1882 and 1883, and in this refers to the Brackett incident. He says: "To me this story is incredible. I do not believe that a virtuous young woman of her years would lend herself (a maiden) to the execution of such a scheme as her story would establish. To believe it involves a sacrifice of common sense." He denounces plaintiff's testimony, in the matter of the introduction of her to Mrs. Reigart. He scores her heavily for this false testimony, but later on excuses her by saying that a woman doubtful of the legality of her plea might be tempted to unfairly add to its strength and still the plea be a just one in other respects.

Recapitulating he says: "The plaintiff did meet defendant in the spring of 1880, and consult with him in reference to her stock transactions. After several interviews he proposed to her that she should become his mistress. This offer was declined. He then told her that he desired to marry her. This was followed by a discussion on the subject of secret marriage, and the plaintiff, on a later occasion, did, at his dictation, write a marriage contract, which has been offered in evidence, and the same was then and there signed by defendant. The actual consummation of the marriage is not definitely known."

The judge then proceeded to discuss what constitutes marriage under the laws of this state, and having done so, and in view of the testimony offered, concludes by saying that Wm. Sharon, defendant, by virtue of his secret contract of marriage, or written consent thereto, and of a sufficient assumption of marital rights, and the duties and obligations of the married state to satisfy the law of California, has become and is now the husband of Sarah Althea Sharon, plaintiff in this case.

HOW THE DECISION WAS RECEIVED.

Judge Sullivan's court-room was crowded this morning to hear the opinion read in the Sharon divorce case. The plaintiff was present, together with counsel on both sides, the only absentees being David S. Terry, one of plaintiff's attorneys, and the defendant, Wm. Sharon. The decision took two hours and forty-five minutes to read. When it had been rendered there was a rush to congratulate the plaintiff, who had to be led from the room to recover from faintness occasioned by excitement. On her recovery she left the court-room, accompanied by her counsel. Plaintiff's counsel will make application for counsel fees and $5,000 a month alimony for fourteen months, embracing the period since the trial began. The actual trial of the case occupied eighty-one days. The decision seems to be generally satisfactory to the people at large. At 10 o'clock this morning the Evening Post issued an extra, containing that part of the decision which showed that the decision was in favor of the plaintiff. The paper published portraits of both plaintiff and defendant.

Speaking to an Associated Press representative of the case, General W. H. Barnes, senior counsel for defendant, said: "Judge Sullivan's decision is an entire surprise to the legal profession, both as to the law and the facts. The judgment, if it stands, will not be a serious pecuniary injury to Mr. Sharon, as his estate is his separate property, and with its income and profits is exempt from this decision. I don't think he has $10,000 of property which could be made subject to the decision. Mr. Sharon is greatly annoyed by the present decision, but of course will appeal, and we feel confident of reversing it." He further stated that the case now pending in the United States Circuit Court, brought by Mr. Sharon to test the validity of the marriage contract, will be prosecuted energetically.

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LORD COLERIDGE'S DAUGHTER.

The Household of England's Chief Justice as Revealed in Court.

(Edmund Yates in the London World.)

There appeared in the Morning Post, May 6, 1884, the following advertisement:

DAILY GOVERNESS.—The Hon. Mildred Coleridge, 83 Abingdon Road, Kensington, gives instruction in music (theory and practice). German, Italian and French and rudimentary Greek and Latin, Literature class on Wednesday afternoon.

This appeal to English parents for their patronage by the only daughter of the Lord Chief Justice of England excited the astonishment, not unmixed with indignation, of the public. The record of the action for libel brought by Mr. Adams against the Lord Chief Justice's son supplies the explanation and constitutes the requisite commentary upon the eccentric text. Miss Coleridge was driven to become a daily governess, living in a small house or lodging in a cheap suburb, because her home, the home from which her mother had six years ago been removed by death, and which was controlled by the father, who was therefore morally charged with the responsibilities of both parents, had ceased to be for her a habitant place. This deplorable and humiliating condition of things may have been directly brought about by her ill-starred engagement. But to admit this is only to compel us to go back one stage further. Is it conceivable that any young woman of ordinary self-respect, brought up with the notions of delicacy and breeding which one is bound to believe that, at least during the life time of her mother, Miss Coleridge had an opportunity of acquiring, would have accepted an offer of marriage as cold, conventional, and one might almost say as compulsory as, according to Mr. Adams, was that which he was constrained to make? The inference which all sensible, all human parents, all daughters who have any knowledge of decent homes, will draw is that Miss Coleridge deliberately preferred a frigid and joyless marriage to the domestic misery she had endured for years. And this young woman was nurtured in an atmosphere where from her infancy she must have listened to the pious precepts and devotional platitudes of a smug religionism. The mind of the Lord Chief Justice, if an idea can be formed of it from the glimpses which, in his official capacity, he allows us, is a treasure-house of copy-headings, all of them hinting at the union and identity in the person of Lord Coleridge of legal infallibility and moral excellence. Lord Coleridge is more than a mere judge. He is far above the weaknesses of any of his predecessors, and poses in all respects as the ethical superior of the late Sir Alexander Cockburn. Yet so beneficent was the influence which he exercised in his own household, so eminently adapted was he to be taken as a model for the father of a family, that while he was sitting in judgment, posing as the visible embodiment of civil and divine authority, his daughter was being driven out of doors and compelled to ply the trade of a daily governess.

That is, at the best, a precarious and pitiable calling. But it is clear that it can have offered Miss Coleridge few fresh hardships. She at least had nothing to anticipate in her struggles to gain her own bread which could deter her from quitting her father's roof. It is an edifying glance into the private life of the Lord Chief Justice of England which the testimony of Mr. Adams affords. Seldom even on the threadbare levels of shabby-genteel existence, never certainly in such a social position as that of Lord Coleridge, has the curtain been lifted in a court of justice upon a domestic interior so graceless and so squalid. Mr. Adams appears to have acted with wisdom in not allowing himself to partake of the greatly grudged hospitality of the Coleridge family. He appears also to have very correctly to have understood the entire family position. When, therefore, the small sole and bread butter made their appearance, the affianced husband of the lady declined to partake of the proffered refreshment, except so far as to consume a fragment of bread and butter, and this only in order not to wound the feelings of his hostess. Even thus he would not apparently have been prevailed upon, without hearing that Miss Coleridge, like the servants in the establishment, was on wages. What a picture! The only and motherless daughter of that upright and eloquent judge, to whose lips the finest and holiest of sentiments are always springing from a guiltless and chivalrous heart, treated in her father's house upon exactly the same footing as a scullery wench! But there is no need to dwell upon all the details of this distressing table of parsimony, meanness and cruelty in the household of a judge. The Lord Chief Justice owes it entirely to himself and to the wrong-headed and discourteous obstinacy of his son, who entirely ignored Mr. Adams' offer to disprove the charges brought against him to Mr. Bernard Coleridge's satisfaction in private, that the public is now acquainted with the shocking and sickening story.

BRILLIANTS.

To-morrow is a satire on to-day,
And shows its weakness. —[Young.

Humility, that low, sweet root,
From which all heavenly virtues shoot.
—[Moore.

Eternal smiles his emptiness betray,
As shallow streams run dimpling all the way
—[Pope.

God gives us grace
Each in his place
To bear his lot.
—[Whittier.

The hues that our to-morrows wear
Are by our yesterdays forecast;
Our future takes into itself
The true impressions of our past.
—[Alice Cary.

O, you who linger in the night of toil
And long for day,
Take heart; the grandest hero is the man
Of whom the world shall say

That from the roadside of defeat he plucked
The flower success.
Bravely and with a modesty sublime,
Not with blind eagerness.
—[W. L. Talbott.

See how the world its veterans rewards!
A youth of frolics, an old age of cards;
Fair to no purpose, artful to no end;
Young without lovers, old without a friend;
A fop their passion, but their prize a sot;
Alive, ridiculous, and dead, forgot!
—[Pope.

Bismarck's Private Apartments.

[Unsere Zeit.]

One of the doors in the audience-room opens into the study of Count Rantzau, the chancellor's son-in-law. It is furnished like all the rooms of German landed proprietors who have spent a couple of years at a university, and is a mixture of the learned and the agricultural. Another door in the audience-room leads to Prince Bismarck's private apartments, the first of which is the library, which contains books on all subjects of general interest, and has by no means the character of a book-worm's favorite "retire," but rather that of a man's library who finds little or no time to devote to reading. The prince's study is a very large room, with several mahogany tables well able to bear large loads of manuscripts and documents. The windows look toward the south, and close to them stands an enormous writing desk, with an uncomfortable chair that has no back to it. A bronze inkstand, blue sand, and paper are the only implements, besides a goose quill, the only kind of pen ever used by the chancellor, who abhors steel pens. In a corner of the window recess, just opposite the chancellor's seat, stands a bureau, above which hangs the emperor's portrait.

At the other end of the room, where the light from the window does not well penetrate, stand several couches and armchairs, in which Bismarck loves to rest, with a pipe in his mouth and deep thought on his earnest brow. The walls of this sanctum are decorated with portraits of the chancelior's only daughter, Countess Rantzau, Princess Bismarck, and Counts Herbert and William. In a dark corner stands a small card table which Bismarck brought home from the Franco-German war. On it was signed the peace between Germany and France, Feb. 26, 1871. The next apartment is Bismarck's bed-room, which is furnished with still more simplicity than the two rooms preceding it. The walls are decorated with several family portraits, and a comfortable couch is the only superfluous piece of furniture which the room musters. To the English eye, perhaps, the large quantity of feather beds in the four-poster would not seem altogether indispensable.

A Little Virginia Girl.

Joaquin Miller, the poet and novelist, has been down in the West Virginia mountains and he writes to The New York Star:

"A little Virginian climbed up the steps like a little pet squirrel; she was just as frisky; her hair as black, bushy and abundant; her eyes as bright and many times as large and beautiful. Ah, me! my heart went all to pieces at once. She was only a dozen years old, and yet she was a woman. But she didn't know it at all; she didn't dream of such a hing. And that is what made her so ten-fold formidable. I gave her my seat in the packed car, and she thanked me with such promptness and grace, such precision of silent, good taste, that I wanted to stand there before her and wait all the days of my life for her to speak. But she never spoke. Her hair was all tumbled about, her dress was torn badly, her small, dimpled hands were brown and briar-torn. Pretty soon she dived her left hand into her pocket, threw back her black hair with the right hand, and so began to crack a lot of chestnuts with the whitest set of teeth and reddest lips you ever looked at. Dear, lovely little girl. She was the daintiest bit of nature I have seen this side of Oregon. And although I I shall never see her again, I venture my life that she is of the best blood in the land, one of the ruined families of the war; a pitiful little waif, whose valiant people went down to battle and never came back to her mother and her mother's mother any more. And when I contrast her wild refinement to the big-footed vulgarity in lace and diamonds constantly encountered in New York I again fall to thinking, and thinking of the strange mutatipns of life in this up and down land of ours."

New Orleans' Insect Plague.

[Exchange.]

New Orleans is suffering from an invasion of insects. They come at night and are everywhere, but are most numerous around electric lights. The pests are so thick that people in the streets are obliged to steer clear of the lights or dodge under them. Millions of little insects cover the sidewalks, in some places deeply, making a most diagreeable sound as they are crushed to death under foot. Not only this, they fill the eyes and nose and drop down in one's neck, with an unpleasant wriggling and tickling. At the theatres and other places one night last week it became necessary to extinguish the electric lights in order to end the insect attack. They are said to come from the swamps around New Orleans, borne in by the wind. The Times-Democrat says the plague is increasing every year.

How Baking Powders Are Made.

[Minneapolis Household.]

While rival companies are disputing as to what ingredients are to be found in the "best baking powder," the public will be interested in the following definition of these now indispensable articles, as given by Appleton's cyclopedia, the acknowledged American authority:

"The best baking powders are composed of bitartrate of potash (cream of tartar), tartaric acid, carbonate of ammonia, and soda bi-carbonate, bound together by a little starch.

Taking Care of the Sick.

[New York Sun.]

"Oh, dear," sighed a farmer's wife wearily, as she dropped into a chair after a hard day's work, "I feel just as if I were going to be sick. My head throbs and my back aches dreadfully, and——"

"By gosh," interrupted the farmer, starting up and seizing his hat, "that reminds me. I forgot to give the 2-year-old colt his condition powders to-night, an' he's been a wheezin' all day," and he hurried to the barn.

Asking Entirely Too Much.

[S hwabischer Merkur.]

Aged widower—If I could make up my mind to marry again I would take a young wife that would love me as long as she lives.

Candid friend—You ask too much; you may be thankful if you get one that will love you as long as you live.

MODERN WARFARE.

How France and Germany Will Carry on Their Next Campaign.

A Granite Wall of Strong Places, Bristling with Cannon—Great Cavalry Combats—The Tug of War.

[London Spectator.]

The employment of the enormous masses of men which obligatory service now places at the disposal of the great continental powers will render future wars not more sanguinary, but more quickly decisive, and also much more complicated than those of former times. The features that most distinguish the new warfare from the old are the enormous extent of the battle-fields, and the different part played by the general-in-chief. Sixty years ago armies bivouacked at a distance from each other at which they are now in full action. Even in the last war it was found that the general could do little more than marshal his forces, give, as it were, the impulse, and leave the carrying out of his plans to the intelligence of his subordinates. Much more will this be the case in the time to come, for the commander of the future, instead of having a dozen corps d'armee in line of battle, must have at least twenty, and the action may be fought along a front of as many leagues.

If the next great war should be waged between the two nations which were parties to the last, it will find the French frontier protected by a granite wall of strong places bristling with cannon, and here and there a gap, as if to tempt an unwary enemy to destruction. But no enemy so acute as the Germans would attempt to enter the country without first effecting a breach in the wall.

To this end the plan of concentration and the plan of operation will have to be executed simultaneously. The campaign will open with great cavalry fights, each army trying to rid itself of these dangerous witnesses of its movement, and at the same time to ascertain those of its adversaries. The side that succeeds in beating back the enemy's horse will have scored a great advantages. The concentration of their corps d'armee will be rendered easier, the secret of their strategy more effectually guarded. This will be the object of the German commanders; and, as we may presume, also of the French.

The cavalry combats will probably be followed by a great battle, offered by the army whose horsemen have been worsted, either in front of its fortifications or in the intervals between them. This preliminary contest, though it can hardly fail to be murderous, is expected to be indecisive, for if the assailant be vanquished he will return to the charge, while if the defenders should prove the weaker they can withdraw behind their fortifications. Then will begin the tug of war. The iron and granite barrier that shelters the beaten foe will have to be forced at all costs. Regular seige operations will be out of the question. The delay would enable the defenders to rally and direct the bulk of their forces on the threatened point. The assailants must be able to cover their advance by an artillery fire superior at once to that of the forts and of the army by whom they are supported. In the next great war the decisive battles will be preceded by combats of artillery greater than any the world has yet seen.

After breaking the line the invaders will have to encounter the enemy a second time, if they will accept battle, or invest them in their fortified camps, if they should be so unwise as to take refuge there. Unwise, because an army in an intrenched camp is a lost army, and in this opinion Col. Hennebert, a French military writer who discusses the subject in his "Europe Under Arms," is fully agreed with Baron von der Goltz. In the event of the defenders being a second time beaten, the problem would be solved; the rest of the campaign could be conducted under normal conditions, save that the guarding of communications would require greater watchfulness and absorb many more men than previous wars were wont to do.

The Love of Laughter.

[Cor. Chicago Herald.]

New York was never in a merrier mood. The dullness of mercantile business, the depression in speculative finance, and the asperities of the presidential canvass seem only to whet the appetite for fun. We have nineteen legitimate theatres now open, and in only two of them is anything not farcical announced for the ensuing week. Every serious play yet brought out this season has failed. The stages hitherto most famous for intellectual performances are occupied by insensate clowning. Actors accustomed to gravity are compelled to go into horse-play or lose all employment.

I was curious to ascertain how much laughter was essential to the success of a farcical piece. Selecting one which is as prosperous as any, and which has not a single element of entertainment other than jollity, I timed the duration of all the spells of laughing which any considerable part of the audience indulged in. The aggregate was thirty-six minutes out of the two hours and seven minutes that the curtain was up. My observation convinces me that a less amount will not do in case there is no other diverting quality than that of mirth. One of the laughers was Gen. Grant. I kept a seperate tally of him and it footed up to within several minutes of the general total of the laughter. That is to say, the hero of a war and ex-president of the United States is up to the New York average in frivolity.

Birds Which Break the Wires.

[American Queen.]

The "assiger," a species of vulture protected in Rio Janeiro for its services as a scavenger, has proved very detrimental to the telephone wires. It breaks them or becomes hopelessly entangled in them, thus necessitating the employment of a large force of men to make the necessary repairs. Probably the expense caused by these birds will utimately compel the telephone company to lay the wires under ground. Few persons will regret this consummation, for the exposure of the wires over the streets detracts greatly from the appearance of the beautiful capital of Brazil.

Not Historical.

[Chicago Herald.]

John Avis, jailor of Jefferson county, Virginia, during the whole time that John Brown was in prison, denies in an affidavit that Brown kissed a negro child in its mother's arms on his way to the scaffold, and expressed thanks that he was "allowed to die for a cause, and not merely to pay the debt of nature, as all must." His only remarks between his cell and the scaffold were commonplace—about the beauty of the country and the weather. As to kissing a child, nothing of the sort could have occurred, for a guard of soldiers surrounded him, and allowed no person to come between them and the prisoner except his escorts.

A Suspender Collection.

[Exchange.]

Philadelphia has a man who is infatuated with the subject of suspenders and devotes an entire room of his house to them. He has them made of every conceivable material, of every color under the sky, and ranging in price from 25 cents to $100. The collection is fully insured against loss by fire, and in his will he has made provision for its distribution among his nearest relatives and associates.

MUNICIPAL.

REQUISITION.

TO R. P. RITHET, ESQ.,

SIR,—WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RATEPAYERS of Victoria, having confidence in your ability and fitness for the position, request your permission to place you in nomination as Mayor for the ensuing year, and we pledge ourselves to use our best endeavors to secure your Election

John Ash	John Partridge
Redon & Hartnagel	L Goodacre
Wm Wilson	Dixie H Ross
W Heathorn	E C Neufelder
Joshua Davies	J C Bales
S J Pitts	C W R Thomson
E A McQuade	H Bornstien
William Charles	Simon Leiser
Matthew T Johnston	James Burnes
James S Raymur	John Crowther
T Lubbe	D E Campbell
Alex Munro	E Musclamp
W J Jeffree	A A Green
Robert Elder	Geo W Haynes
H Saunders	H L Jones
J D Warren	J H Todd
Jesse Brown	Joseph Wilson
E Meteaif	J Nicholles
J Gutman	R Lipsett
James Larman	Wm McKyon
H J Hartnell	H D Saunders
James Johns	Lewis Lewis
George Stutz	Jas Crawford
G W A Lange	J A T Caton
Wm G Lange	A Ofner
D Green	T H Tye
Thos Geiger	W Shears
T F Becker	B VanVolkenburgh
M W Waitt	C T Todd
H Brown	John Grant
Hy Young	W G Pinder
Jas Hutcheson	Chas E Reifern
Edward White	D M Eberts
James A Fraser	M W Tyrwhitt Drake
Frances Page	D W Higgins
P T Johnston	Thos D Nuttall
M Gallick	R Finlayson
J D Nesbitt	Jas A Graham
Edgar Marvin	A W Jones
C Morton	Robt Ward
F Adams	H F Heisterman
Alex B Gray	Henry E Croasdaile
R B Thompson	W W Malachi
Wm Wilson	W B Smithfield
J Roland Hett	J KeithWilson
W D McKillican	H Rhodes
Wm Hammond	T Allsop
A J Smith	Frank S Barnard
D R Harris	J B Matthews
T N Hibben	Henry Short
J Finlayson	H Waller
Wm Denny	A McLean
Thos Carrington	A B Francis
R Dunsmuir	Morrice Rose
Jas Hunter	A P Briggs
C E Perry	J Liddell
M G Staples	C Dawson
G H Burnes	Edwd Mallandaine
David Rays	D Simpson
A K Munro	J Hawkins
Wm T Paige	J C Flett
Robt E Jackson	James Flett
Wm C Ward	Paul Strahle
Chas S Jones	J C Leask
Geo Cruickshank	M R Robbins
J Heywood	T S Styles
Geo Gillespie	W Jensen

To the Ratepayers signing above Requisition:

GENTLEMEN, I HAVE TO THANK YOU FOR your requisition to allow myself to be nominated for Mayor at the approaching election. The large number of names which represent all classes of the community has induced me to comply with the request, and in doing so I consider it to be part of my duty to express my views briefly upon the more important questions which are likely to engage the attention of the Municipal Council during the coming year.

The most important to my mind is the drainage of the city. I am strongly in favor of immediate steps being taken to accomplish this, and will advocate and support the most efficient and economical scheme which may be submitted.

I am in favor of an equitable revision of the Assessment Roll.

I consider the Electric Light as at present supplied altogether inadequate, and will further any reform in this connection, which may be considered necessary for the more efficient lighting of the city.

I will assist wh atever well considered measure may be submitted for the improvement of the water supply.

If elected, I shall always endeavor to promote the best interests of the city generally.

I am, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
R. P. RITHET.

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REQUISITION.

TO MESSRS. THOMAS EARLE, JOHN BRADEN AND JOHN GRANT:

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned ratepayers of Victoria, request your permission to nominate you as Councillors, to serve for Yates Street Ward during the coming year.

There is a prevailing feeling that the coming Council should be composed of men of business capacity, capable of dealing with important issues, and we feel assured that the m jority of ratepayers have confidence in your ability, public spirit and fitness for the position.

Should you be pleased to accept our nomination we will use our best exertions to return you.

Simon Leiser	S J Pitts
Wm R Leighton	Wm Chrow
J H Turner	Robt Elder
R S Byrn	H Saunders
E A McQuade	J D Warren
Robt Ward	Jesse Brown
E Meteaife	Jas L Raymur
J Gutmann	James Larman
T Lubbe	Alex Munro
H J Hartnell	John J Hart
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Jas Johns	P T Johnson
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S D Nesbitt	H L Jones
J W Todd	Edgar Marvin
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A A Green	A B Gray
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R Lipsett	A Lewis
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Lewis Lewis	Wm Crawford
Geo Stutz	A Ofner
G W A Lange	W J Goepel
D Green	T H Tye
Thos Geiger	T Baumann
T F Becker	W Shears
M W Waitt	Frank S Barnard
D Brown	Wm Andean
Hy Young, per J H	B Van Volkenburgh
Jas Hutchison	C F Todd
Wm G Lange, jr	Edward White
Wm Denny	Jas A Fraser
E Musclamp	Jas Doughty, jr
Frank Norris	J A T Caton
Wm Charles	J Isaacs

REPLY.

TO THE RATEPAYERS WHO SIGNED THE ABOVE REQUISITION:

GENTLEMEN—A duty that all owe to the community in which they reside, induces us to comply with your request.

We will, if elected, use our endeavors to promote the best interests of the city, and also give the many important issues which will necessarily come before the Council our most earnest consideration and assistance; notably, a system of sewerage, efficient yet economical, revision of the assessment roll, so that it may be equitable, improvement of the water supply, better lighting of the city, etc., etc.

Thanking you for your expressed confidence, we are, gentlemen, yours respectfully,

THOS. EARLE,
JOHN BRADEN,
JOHN GRANT.

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Councillors Johnson St. Ward.

TO MESSRS. R. W. PEARSE, W. MCKAY, ORLANDO WARNER.

GENTLEMEN—WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RATEpayers of Victoria, request your permission to nominate you as Councillors for Johnson Street Ward for the ensuing year.

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R Finlayson	William J Stephens
A J Langley	John Work
H L Jones	C T Penwill
T H Tye	H Brown
J H Todd	Andrew Gray
J H Turner	H Harold
Thos F Wilson	Wm Wyllie
Chas W Wilson	Thos Pearson
H F Heisterman	J Mapsden
Henry Rudge	E C Shepherd
John Dooley	H A Clappezzoul
J W Griffiths	Wm Denny
W Allen	And 43 others.

REPLY.

VICTORIA, 20th Dec., 1884.

TO MESSRS. FINLAYSON, LANGLEY, AND others.

GENTLEMEN:—WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVing been asked to allow ourselves to be put in nomination as Councillors for Johnson Street Ward, beg to say that we are willing to stand as Councillors for this Ward for the coming year, and if elected we pledge ourselves to do everything in our power to promote the best interests of the city.

We remain yours obediently,

R. W. PEARSE,
WILLIAM MCKAY,
ORLANDO WARNER.

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NOTICE.

AN APPLICATION WILL BE MADE BY THE undersigned to the Bench of Licensing Magistrates for Victoria City, at their next meeting, for a license to sell win s, spirits, beer, &c., by retail at the Albion Hotel, Herald street, Victoria.

JOHN WILSON.

Victoria, Nov. 28th, 1884. no29 2w

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Comox	.....	.....	7 A.M.	.....	.....	.....

FRASER RIVER ROUTE.

FROM VICTORIA FOR	MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURDA
Ladner's Landing, New Westminster and Pt. Hammond	.....	7 A.M.	.....	.....	7 A.M.	.....
Plumper Pass	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 A.M.	.....
Granville, Moodyville, Pt Moody	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 A.M.	.....

NOTE—Freight for Hope, Yale and Points in the Interior must be shipped via Port Hammond and Shippers are requested to mark weight on each package.

For ALERT BAY, METLAKAHTLA, FORT SIMPSON and Way Ports—Str Otter, Capt. Meyer, will leave Spratt's wharf on FRIDAY, January 2nd, at 5 p. m.

No freight will be received after 5 p.m. JNO. IRVING, Manager. de24f

NOTICES.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I INTEND MAKING application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 500 acres (more or less) of pastoral land situated in the Osoyoos District and described as follows:—

Commencing at a stake near Johnson Creek, in the west side of Rock Creek, marked "H.N's N.W. corner;" thence running S.E. about 1½ miles; thence S. W. ½ mile; thence N.W. 1½ miles; thence N.E. ½ mile, to point of commencement.

HENRY NICHOLSON.

Victoie River, B.C., Aug. 28th, 1884. se24

NOTICE.

In the Estate of ELIZABETH DRUMMOND, Deceased.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE ABOVE estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith; and all persons who have any claims against the said estate are required to forward the same to Mr THOMAS RUSSELL, one of the executors of the said deceased, or to

MESSRS. DAVIE & POOLEY,
Solicitors to the Executors.

Dated 21th Nov., 1884. no26 1m

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I INTEND TO APPLY to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease one thousand acres of land on the east bank of the Homalko River, designated by the surveyor's stakes and lines to be seen on the ground.

WM. P. SAYWARD.

Nov. 20th, 1884. de2 1m

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED IS PREPARED TO STORE, Ferry and

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REQUISITION.

TO MESSRS. ROBERT WARD, A. J. SMITH, W. D. MCKILLICAN:

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Should you be pleased to accept our nomination we will use our best exertions to return you.

A McLean,	Chas E Redfern,
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M W T Drake,	J A Fraser,
A W Jones,	Walter Shears,
W C Ward,	R Dunsmuir,
T N Hibben,	Thos Carrington,
D M Eberts,	M G Staples,
Jno Ash,	Jos Hunter,
D R Harris,	A K Munro,
W H Bone,	R E Jackson,
Wm Wilson,	G H Burns,
J Finlayson,	W G Pinder,
T Allsop,	Wm Hammond,
Chas E Jones,	Wm Finbury,
A A Green,	H G Lewis,
P R Brown,	C E Perry,
S J Pitts,	D W Higgins,
Geo Cruickshank,	F S Barnard,
H E Croasdaile,	Geo Gillespie,
J C Flett,	M R Smith,
J Kieth Wilson,	E Mallandaine,
James Flett,	Thos Harding,
J C Welsh,	W J Pendry,
E B Irving,	Andrew Gray,
Jos Sommers,	G M Irving,
T L Irving,	P T Johnson,
Henry Young,	James Hutchinson.

TO THE RATEPAYERS SIGNING THE ABOVE REQUISITION:

GENTLEMEN:—IN REPLY TO YOUR NUMERously signed Requisition asking us to accept your nomination as Councillors for James Bay Ward, we have much pleasure in acceeding to it.

There will doubtless be many important matters to engage the attention of the new Council, the question of drainage being one of the most prominent among them.

We shall give our earnest attention and support, to the consideration of a well devised system of sewerage, combined with efficiency and economy.

We consider the means at present adopted for lighting the city are most inadequate, and we shall give our attention towards an improvement in this connection.

As we are of opinion that the Revenue of the city can be considerably augmented by a revision of the Assessment Roll, we shall advocate a re-adjustment of it at an early date.

The inefficient water supply in various parts of the city is, in our opinion, a matter which demands urgent attention.

If elected we shall support any measure brought forward tending to promote the good government of the city generally.

ROBT. T. WARD,
A. J. SMITH,
de21 W. D. MCKILLICAN.

NOTICE.

REWARD.

WHEREAS SOME PERSON OR PERSONS UNknown did, on or about the month of October last, maliciously injure and destroy the hand-railings and other portions of certain Bridges on the Trunk Road between Hope and Popcum.

Notice is therefore hereby given, that a reward of one hundred dollars will be paid for such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of the guilty person or persons.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., 20th Nov., 1884. no28 1m

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

PRIVATE BILLS.

ALL APPLICATIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS, properly the subject of legislation by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, within the purview of the "British North American Act, 1867," whether for the erection of a Bridge, the making of a Railroad, Turnpike Road, or Telegraph Line; the construction or improvement of a Harbour, Canal, Lock, Dam or Slide, or other like work; the granting of a right of Ferry; the incorporation of any particular trade or calling, or of any Joint Stock Company; or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act—shall require a Notice, clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application to be published as follows:—

A notice inserted in the BRITISH COLUMBIA GAZETTE and in one newspaper published in the District affected, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest District in which a newspaper is published.

Such notice shall be continued in each case for a period of at least six weeks, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session and the consideration of the Petition.

Before any petition, praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge is presented to the House, the person or persons intending to petition for such a Bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding rule, also at the same time and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect a drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

THORNTON FELL,
se19tf Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

[L. S.] CLEMENT F. CORNWALL.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province, of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on Wednesday, the Twenty-fourth day of December instant, to have been commenced and held, and every of you GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

ALEX. E. B. DAVIE, Attorney-General. } WHEREAS THE MEETing of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of British Columbia stands called for Wednesday, 24th day of December instant, at which time, at Our City of Victoria, you were held and constrained to appear.

NOW KNOW YE that, for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid; hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on MONDAY, the TWELFTH day of the month of JANUARY next, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of BritishColumbia to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, the Honorable CLEMENT F. CORNWALL, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this sixth day of December in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four and in the forty-eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

T. ELWYN,
de7td Deputy Provincial Secretary.

PRIVATE BILLS.

NOTICE.

THE TIME LIMITED FOR RECEIVING PETItions for Private Bills will expire on the Second day of February, 1885.

THORNTON FELL,
de21 Clerk Leg. Assembly.

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NOTICE.

SALE OF LOTS IN OSOYOOS DIST.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LOTS into which the Government Reserve at Spallumcheen Landing has been divided, now designated Belvidere, will be offered for sale at public auction at the office of Walter Dewdney, Esq., Government Agent, Spallumcheen, at noon, on Saturday, 14th February.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 17th, 1884. de19

ASSESSMENT ACT.

COURT OF REVISION AND APPEAL FOR THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF VICTORIA CITY, VICTORIA AND ESQUIMALT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE COURT will sit as follows:

For the Electoral District of Victoria City—At the Legislative Hall, James' Bay, on Monday, the 15th, and Tuesday, the 16th day of December, 1884, at 11 o'clock a. m.

For the Electoral District of Victoria—At the "Royal Oak," on Monday, the 8th day of December, 1884, at 11 o'clock a. m.; and at Henry Simpson's, South Saanich, on Wednesday, the 10th day of December, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Electoral District of Esquimalt—At Henry Price's, Parson's Bridge, on Friday, the 12th day of December, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon

Dated at Victoria this 12th day of November, 1884.

S. PERRY MILLS,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE ESTATE of the late W. J. Stephens, trader, of Fort Wrangel, are requested to pay their indebtedness by the 15th of January next; and all those having claims against said estate must present them by that date, as the estate will then be distributed.

de14 THOS. EARLE, Executor.

NOTICE.

FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE I WILL ONLY accept COIN FOR RENT, as well as for the payments to be made to me

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A. M. TAYLOR, M. D.,

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KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

RESERVATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL THE vacant bottom lands subject to overflow, which are situated at the mouth of Lardo Creek, at the northern end of Kootenay L